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Application of

Koichi TAMURA et al. : Group Art Unit - 2839

Serial No. 09/833,145 : Examiner - Neil Abrams

Filed: April 11, 2001

For: X-RAY FLUORESCENCE

ANALYSIS APPARATUS : HAVING SHORT-CIRCUITING : CONNECTING STRUCTURE :

(As Amended) : Docket No. S004-4277

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# PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND REQUIRED EXTENSION FEE

## S I R:

Applicants respectfully request a two-month extension of time for replying to the Office Action dated October 17, 2003, and request that the period for taking further action be reset to expire on March 17, 2004. This is an extension request for replying to the October 17 Office Action within the second month pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

The reason for the present request is to provide additional time to study the October 17 Office Action and take appropriate action in response thereto.

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A check in the amount \$420.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the required fee. Should the check prove insufficient for any reason, authorization is hereby given to charge any such insufficiency to our Deposit Account No. 01-0268.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: MS FEE AMENDMENT, COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date indicated below.

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March 17, 2004

Date